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In Re Application Of: Kwok-Leung (Jacky) Au-Yeung and Lee B. Bussey

For: "Apparatus and Method for Preparative Scale Purification of Nucleic Acids"

Attorney Docket No.: 213-0084WO

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